2015 OHA Annual Meeting
Call for Posters
“Stories of Social Change and Social Justice”

We invite applications for posters at the Oral History Association Conference in Tampa, October 14-18, 2015. The poster session will take place from 2:30-5:30pm on Saturday October 17, 2015 in the exhibit hall at the Tampa Marriott Waterside Hotel. Poster proposals addressing the meeting theme, “Stories of Social Change and Social Justice” are especially welcome, but any timely subject of interest to oral history will be considered.

Poster sessions provide an opportunity for informal, interactive presentations. They are forums for exchanging innovative ideas, and for useful feedback and discussion. Presenters can share their work with a larger audience than is possible in a panel, and there is more time for one-to-one dialogue. Posters are often used to communicate ideas about research in progress, or to showcase a recently completed project. While poster sessions have often been used to present the work of emerging scholars, OHA hopes to also involve more senior scholars as well as community members.

Submission requirements: Proposals should include a title, a description of how the poster relates to the theme, and an abstract. Abstracts can be up to 250 words. Posters are a visual medium, so please provide some information about how the poster will convey information visually. Because OHA evaluates only the abstract in its decision, be sure that it clearly conveys the purpose of your poster presentation. The deadline for submissions is August 15, 2015. Please follow the instructions at the end of this document explaining how to submit a proposal.

Notification: The primary contact on the proposal will be notified if the proposal has been accepted by September 1, 2015. Registration: All poster session presenters must register and pay for the conference. Presenters must be available to discuss their posters during the poster session from 2:30-5:30pm on Saturday October 17, 2015. Poster requirements: Posters should be eye-catching, visual representations of the presenters’ topic. An effective poster presentation highlights the main points or components of a project. Text and images should be large enough to be seen from a distance of several feet. Printed posters and digital and multimedia displays are welcome. A maximum of two presenters per poster is best. Presenters should prepare short summaries of the project and be prepared to answer questions. Technical information: Each poster will be assigned a tabletop space in the exhibit hall. Presenters should bring their own laptops and their own supplies, including tacks, tape, or other material to mount their displays, or have their displays already mounted on their own poster board. Presenters should bring a tabletop poster stand or some other way to keep the poster upright. They should bring extension cords and a power strips if using media. Presenters are encouraged to bring handouts, other supplementary materials, a sheet to record contact information for people who request additional information, and business cards.
To submit a poster for the 2015 OHA annual meeting:

1) Access the submission site using this link: http://convention2.allacademic.com/one/oha/oha15/
2) If you submitted a proposal for the annual meeting, log in using your username and password.
3) If you are new to the site, select “Create a new account” in the log in here box and enter your contact information.
4) Once you are in the system, select “Submit or Edit a Poster” from the menu until you reach the Call for Posters page. Please read the information in the call.
5) To submit, enter the following information then click “Accept and Continue”:
   a. Title of poster
   b. Abstract for poster
   c. Brief biographical statement or 1-page CV
6) Select an author for the poster. If you are the only presenter, select “Accept and Continue.” If you have more than one presenter, you will need to search the database to see if the other presenters are in the system using the Add/Search for Author by Last Name box. If the presenter is not found, add the second person into the system and include as co-author. When all the authors are in, select “Accept and Continue.”
7) Once you have completed the process, you will receive a confirmation email.